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FOLLOWING REPEAT NATO 8579 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO COPENHAGEN
LONDON OTTAWA PARIS SEP 08.
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SUBJECT: EAST /WEST STUDY ASSESSMENT

REF: USNATO 8555

1. KILICK (UK) CAME UP THIS MORNING WHILE DANISH REP
SVART AND I WERE HAVING INFOVAL CORRIDOR CONVERSATION
ON EAST-WEST STUDY. IT TURNED OUT KILICK HAD ALREADY
HEARD FROM CANADIANS ABOUT IDEA OF THREE-MAN TEAM OF
SVART, KILICK AND FORD TO WORK ON EAST-WEST STUDY.
HOWEVER, CANADIANS HAD IMPARTED THEIR CONFUSION (PARA.
2(B), REFTL) TO KILICK, WHO WAS UNDER MISAPPREHENSION
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THAT TEAM WAS TO WORK ON PART III, IMPLICATIONS. ON THIS
BASIS, KILICK EXPRESSED DOUBT PROJECT WAS VIABLE SINCE
HE BELIEVED FRENCH WOULD NOT AGREE. SVART AND I SET HIM
RIGHT ON THE FACTS, STRESSING THAT PROJECT WAS INTENDED
TO COVER PART II, ASSESSMENT, AND THAT PART III WAS NOT
INVOLVED. THIS REASSURED KILICK, AND HE PROMPTLY SAID
HE WOULD BE HAPPY QUOTE TO SERVE IF DRAFTED UNQUOTE. HE

HAS SINCE TELEPHONED TO SAY HE HAS REPORTED MATTER TO LONDON.

2. BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT FOCUS OF PROJECT BE CLARIFIED WITH CANADIANS WITHOUT DELAY LEST SOMEONE RAISE MATTER WITH FRENCH AND GET THEM EXCITED OVER A NON-ISSUE. BENNETT UNQUOTE VANCE

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